

REMARKS

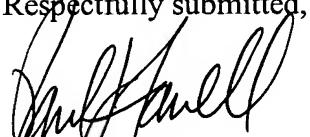
Prior to entry of this amendment, Claims 1-12 are pending in the application. Claims 1-12 were the subject of a Restriction Requirement.

Applicants elect Group I without traverse for prosecution in this case, containing Claims 1-3 and 7-9.

Please cancel Claims 4-6 and 10-12 without prejudice. Based on the cancellation of Claims 4-6 and 10-12, the Restriction Requirement has been rendered moot.

Accordingly, all of the claims pending in the Application, namely, Claims 1-3 and 7-9, are believed to be in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference or personal interview would facilitate resolution of any remaining matters, the Examiner may contact Applicants' attorney at the number given below.

Respectfully submitted,



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